As reported, the Delhi Jal Board, Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board, Calcutta Municipal Corporation and Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai (MCGM) have no proposals to privatize water supply. However, MCGM is contemplating to award a management contract for management and distribution of water supply for one of its wards.

The Government of Karnataka has a proposal to privatize water supply in Bangalore city since 1997. Bids received for the production and conveyance of 500 mld (million litres per day) of treated water to the city under the Cauvery Water Supply Scheme Stage-IV, Phase-II on BOOT. (Build-Operate-Own-Transfer) basis has been evaluated and negotiations held with the preferred bidder. Final decision to enter into an agreement is yet to take place. Government of Karnataka/Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board has also proposed to take up delegated management contract in two pilot areas of the city for operation and maintenance of water supply and sewerage system, as well as construction of 50 mld recycling plant through private sector participation.

Land for Community Centre in Vasant Vihar

916. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether land has been allotted for community centre adjoining the shopping complex in CGH Complex, Vasant Vihar;

(b) if so, whether construction work has been started on this land;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) by when the said community centre is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) The Department of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pension are still to take up the construction.